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Pedestrian Safety Detail

The Beaverton Police Department will be conducting a Pedestrian Safety Detail on Thursday, June 27th. The detail will be conducted at the intersection of SW 4th and SW Watson between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

This detail will focus on vehicles failing to stop and remain stopped for pedestrians in a crosswalk.

Please see the link below for full text of the law at. <http://www.oregonlaws.org/ors/811.028>

The primary focus of this detail is to raise pedestrian safety awareness. Through the use of a decoy pedestrian, the Beaverton Police Department hopes to raise the awareness of drivers and pedestrians through education and enforcement of pedestrian right of way laws.

A summary of the requirements of the law are below.

1. When proceeding straight through an intersection, you must stop and remain stopped at a crosswalk if the pedestrian is in your lane or any adjacent lane.
2. When making a turn, you must stop and remain stopped if the pedestrian is in your lane, or is within 6' of your lane, when the pedestrian is following his/her pedestrian control device. When there is no pedestrian control device, and you are making a turn, you must stop and remain stopped if the pedestrian is in your lane or any adjacent lane.
3. If there is a safety island you do not have to stop if the pedestrian is on the other side of the safety island.

In our continued effort to provide options other than the standard citation, drivers receiving citations are given the option of taking a crosswalk diversion program hosted by the Beaverton Police Department.

Please see the link below for an informative video in regards to crosswalk safety.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KzexhlX73W8&feature=share&list=PLxrQ2N-yvFxjXHI2qDcTALpZZ2dq8H548>